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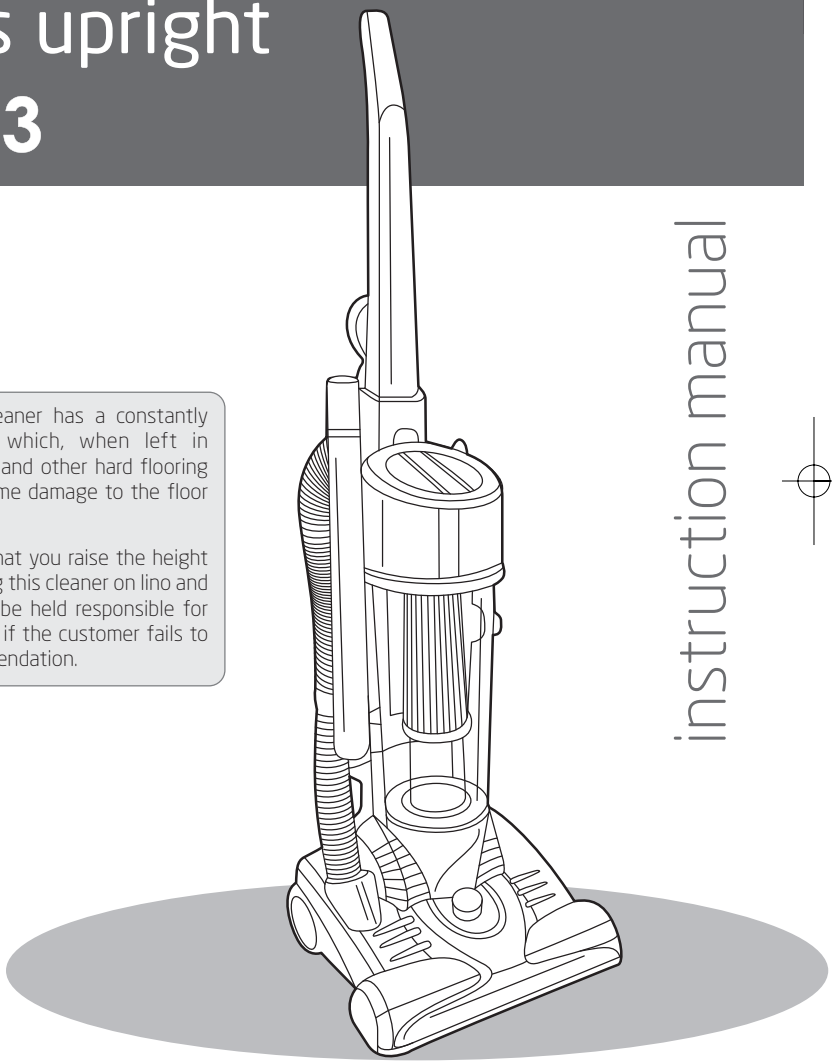
Bagless upright

POWER3

Vax model number:
U88-P3 series



instruction manual

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Please read carefully before using this cleaner.
Always fully extend the mains cord before use.
Retain for future reference.

1. Diagram

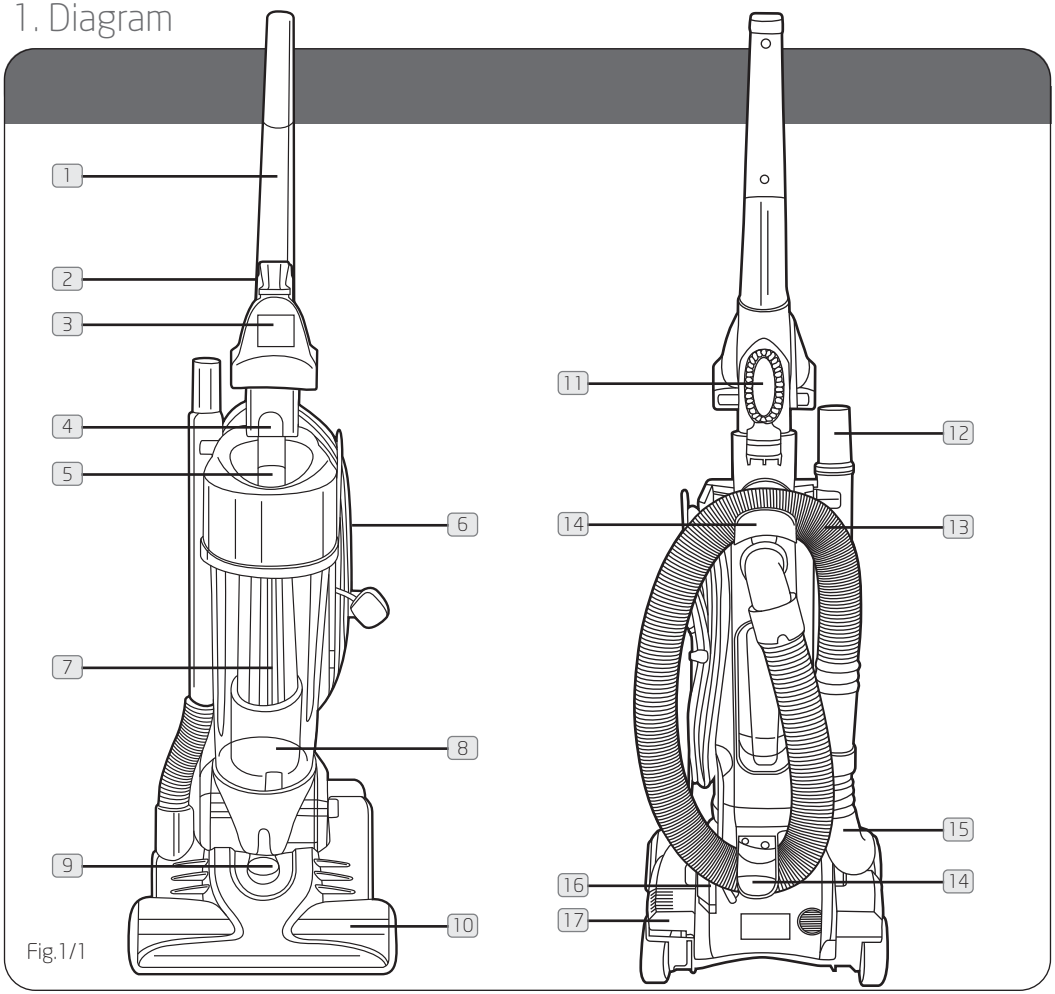

Fig.1/1

PLEASE NOTE: some parts may vary according to model.
Please check inside flap of box for more details.

1. Handle
2. TurboTool caddy (some models only)
3. TurboTool (some models only)
4. Dirt container release button
5. Dirt container handle/carry handle
6. Cord
7. Central filter
8. Dirt container
9. Brushbar height adjust
10. Brushbar
11. Dusting brush
12. Crevice tool and extension wand
13. Hose
14. Hose storage holders
15. Lower hose
16. Power on/off
17. Recline pedal

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2. Safety Information

For Household Use Only

When using the vacuum cleaner, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Only use the vacuum cleaner indoors on dry surfaces. Do not handle the plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands. Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
2. Turn off the vacuum cleaner controls before connecting or disconnecting from the mains supply.
3. Always unplug the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting the vacuum hose and accessories.
4. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
5. The appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
6. Use only as described in this manual.
   Use only the manufacturer's recommended attachments.
7. Do not use the vacuum cleaner if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water. Do not use the vacuum cleaner with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord or plug is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or a recommended Service Agent to avoid hazard and invalidating the guarantee.
8. Do not pull or carry by the cord. Do not use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord or pull the cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run the vacuum cleaner over the cord. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
9. Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any openings blocked and do not restrict air flow. Keep all openings free of dust, lint, hair or anything that may reduce airflow.
10. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
11. Do not pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or any hot, smoking or burning objects.
12. Do not pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene, etc) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapours.
13. Do not vacuum up harmful or toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc).
14. Do not vacuum up hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins, etc.
15. Do not use without the filters in place.
16. Take extra care when vacuuming stairs.
17. Keep vacuuming area well lit.
18. Store the vacuum cleaner indoors in a cool, dry area.
19. Turn off the on/off switch before unplugging the vacuum cleaner.
20. Use only CE-approved 13 amp extension cords. Non-approved extension cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that the cord cannot be pulled or tripped over.

⚠ WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before assembling, opening or emptying the dirt container, or before connecting/disconnecting the attachments.

⚠ CAUTION: The vacuum cleaner is powerful, therefore aways ensure the power button is in the off position before plugging into the mains.

⚠ IMPORTANT: If the inlet or hose is blocked, switch off the vacuum cleaner and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting the vacuum cleaner.

⚠ IMPORTANT: Cleaning filters maintains vacuum performance.

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Please keep these instructions for further use.

Motor Thermostat

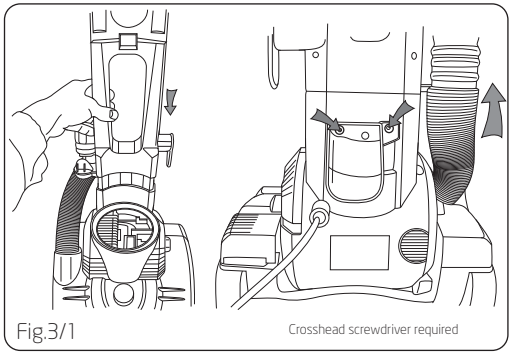
⚠ IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason, the vacuum cleaner should over-heat, the thermostat will automatically turn the unit off. Should this occur, unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet and turn off the switch. Remove the dirt container and empty. Clean the filters. Allow the cleaner to cool for approximately one (1) hour. To re-start, plug into an electrical outlet and switch back on.

3. How to Assemble

⚠ IMPORTANT: Always unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before assembling or removing the accessories.

Tool required: Crosshead screwdriver

1. Push back panel onto base of unit. Insert hose storage hook and secure in place with two screws provided (Fig.3/1).



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2. Place the handle onto the back panel and push down firmly (Fig.3/2).

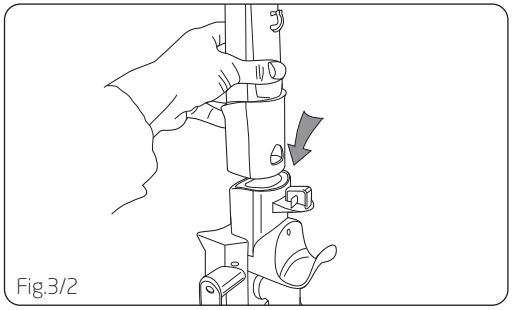
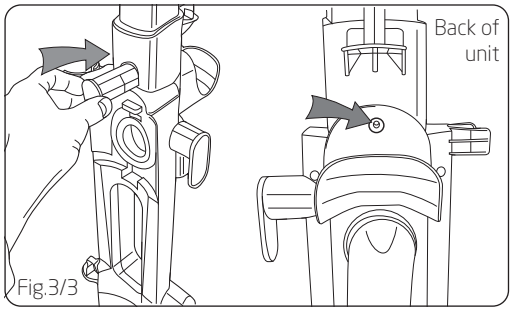


Fig.3/2

3. Insert the lock pin into the hole located at the bottom of the handle, and secure into place with the small screw provided (Fig.3/3).



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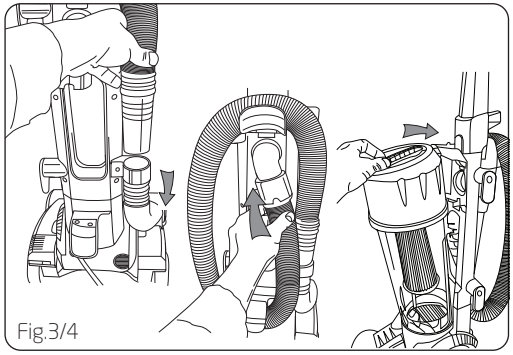
4. Attach hose onto cleaner (Fig. 3/4) and place the dirt container onto the unit.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5. Store the TurboTool in the caddy on the handle (Fig.3/5).

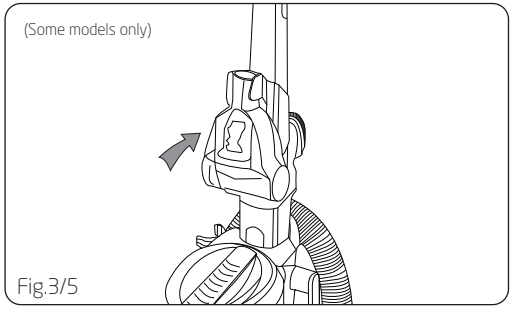


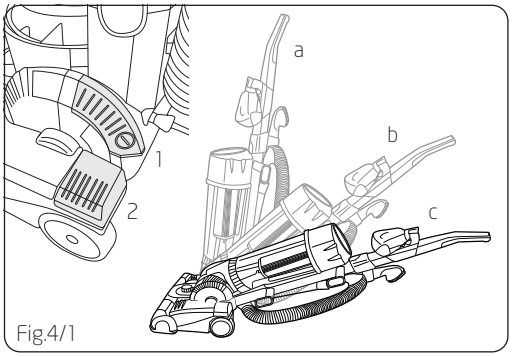
Fig.3/5

4. How to Operate

1. Plug the cord into an electrical outlet. Switch on by pressing the on/off pedal, located on the back left of the cleaner (1).

To recline the unit press the recline pedal (2) down.

Move the handle to the desired position (a) for storage and position (b) for normal operation. To clean under furniture, press the recline pedal again and use position (c) (Fig.4/1).



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High - long carpet pile and hard floors
Low - short carpet pile

5. Accessories

NOTE: This unit is fitted with a constantly rotating brushbar. To avoid damage to your carpet, ensure the brushbar is raised when using the accessories.

1. Make sure the vacuum cleaner has been switched off and is in an upright position. Remove the lower hose by twisting and pulling away from the side connector.

Remove the hose from the hose holder (Fig.5/1).

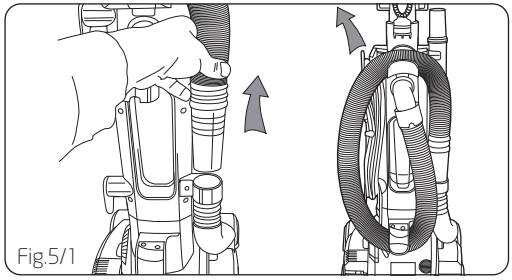
Fig.5/1

2. Choose the accessory that suits your need or use the hose alone.

For hard to reach areas when additional hose length is required attach the extension wand directly to the hose.

NOTE: The crevice tool and TurboTool can be attached to both the hose and extension tube directly.
NOTE: The dusting brush can only be attached to the hose directly.

To fit the attachments push them firmly on to the end of the extension wand or hose handle (Fig.5/2). To remove the tool, twist and pull apart gently.

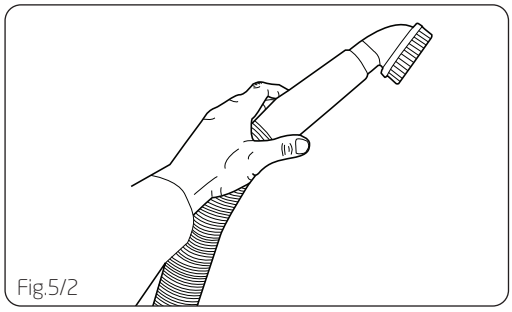
Fig.5/2

TurboTool (Some models only)
Make sure the cleaner is turned off before attaching the TurboTool. For best pick up use backward strokes on the surface being cleaned.

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6. Dirt Container & Filter: Removal and Replacement

1. Make sure the vacuum cleaner has been switched off and unplugged from the electrical supply. To remove the dirt container from the vacuum cleaner press the release catch and pull forward.

To remove the lid, turn anti-clockwise and lift lid away.

Empty the dirt container (Fig.6/1).

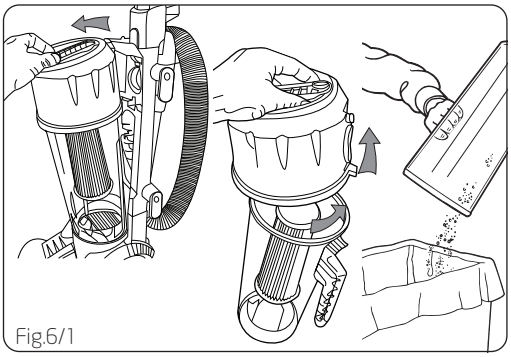


Fig.6/1

2. The filter inside the dirt container should be replaced every 12 months. It should be cleaned each time the dirt container is emptied.

To remove, twist and pull the filter out. To clean, tap gently against the side of a dustbin. Do not use a brush to clean as this may damage the filter.

Replace filter. Push firmly into place to prevent dust and dirt leaking out. Replace the lid and re-attach dirt container (Fig.6/2).

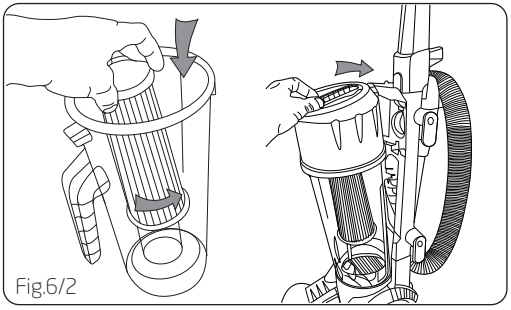


Fig.6/2

7. Belt and Brush: Removal and Replacement

1. Unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical supply. Press the recline pedal and turn the vacuum cleaner over so that the base lies flat and face up. Use a screwdriver to remove the three screws shown below. Remove the nozzle guard. (Fig.7/1).

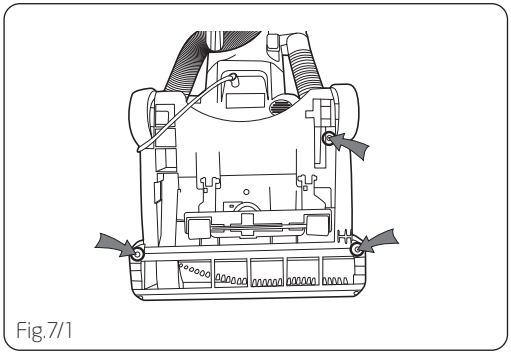
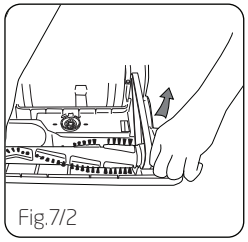


Fig.7/1

Lift and remove the brushbar (Fig. 7/2), then slide the belt off the motor shaft and dispose of it. Place new belt on the motor shaft and then slip the brushbar through the belt (Fig.7/2a).



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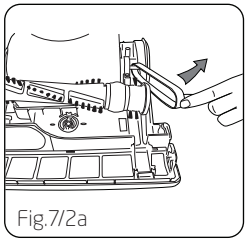

Fig.7/2a

The belt should sit on the section of the brushbar without bristles. Re-fit the brushbar. Ensure the end caps are in the correct position. Rotate the brushbar to check the belt is not twisted. Replace the nozzle guard.

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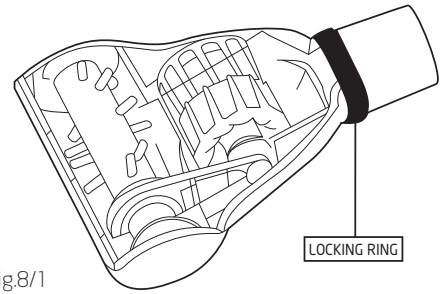
8. Clearing Blockages

WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury from moving parts, unplug before servicing.

Clearing Blockages from the TurboTool (Some models only)

1. Turn the TurboTool over and slide off the locking ring (Fig.8/1).



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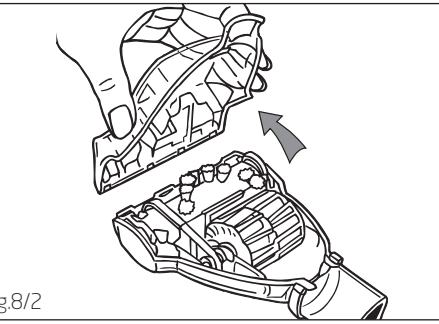
2. Detach lower housing and remove blockage (Fig.8/2).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3. To re-assemble the TurboTool, ensure that the tabs are engaged and pivot the lower housing closed. Slip the locking ring over the neck of the TurboTool and into the groove to finish (Fig.8/3).

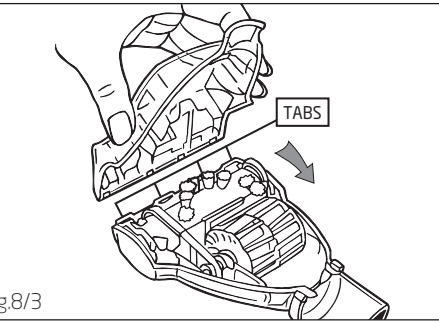

Fig.8/3

9. Troubleshooting

WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the vacuum cleaner before performing maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

PROBLEM: Vacuum cleaner won't run	
Cause:	Not properly plugged into electrical outlet.
Solution:	Plug in firmly.
Cause:	Blown fuse/tripped breaker.
Solution:	Reset circuit breaker or replace fuse.
Cause:	Thermal cut out.
Solution:	Refer to page 3 for information.

PROBLEM: Cleaner won't pick up/loss of suction.	
Cause:	Lower hose not connected properly.
Solution:	Refer to page 4 for fitting information.
Cause:	Dirt container not installed correctly, or full.
Solution:	Empty dirt container and re-attach.
Cause:	Broken or worn belt.
Solution:	Replace the belt.
Cause:	Clogged filters.
Solution:	Remove, clean and replace filters.
Cause:	Nozzle/hose or hose inlet is clogged.
Solution:	Remove nozzle/hose and obstruction.

PROBLEM: Dust escaping from the vacuum cleaner.	
Cause:	Dirt container full.
Solution:	Empty dirt container.
Cause:	Dirt container not installed correctly.
Solution:	Re-attach dirt container replacement
Cause:	Hose not installed properly.
Solution:	Review vacuum cleaner assembly.

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Any queries or concerns about using your Vax, call the Vax Careline. Please make a note of the model number and serial number of your Vax before calling. For the nearest Vax Service Agent, please call the Vax Careline or visit **vax.co.uk**

11. Consumables

To purchase spares and accessories, please visit **vax.co.uk**

HEPA filter kit (1-9-127361-00)

Type 2 belt kit (1-1-130670-00)

12. Technical Specification

Voltage:	220-240V ~50Hz
Wattage:	2000W-2100W (depending on model size)
Capacity:	3 L (approx)
Filters:	HEPA HEPA, antibacterial (some models only)
Cord length:	10 m (approx)
Weight:	7.65kg -8.05kg (depending on model)

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EEC STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Manufacturer/EEC importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the Power 3 series bagless upright vacuum cleaners are manufactured in compliance with the following Directives:

Safety: 2006/95/EC Low Voltage Directive
EMC: 2004/108/EC Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your Local Authority or retailer for recycling advice.

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